WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A polyhydroxy hydrogensulfated trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene comprising a plurality of hydroxyl groups and a plurality of hydrogensulfate groups covalently bonded to a fullerene encapsulating a trimetallic nitride.
- 2. The polyhydroxy hydrogensulfated endohedral metallofullerene of claim 1, wherein the trimetallic nitride comprises a rare earth element and/or a group IIIB element.

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3. The polyhydroxy hydrogensulfated endohedral metallofullerene of claim 1, wherein the trimetallic nitride comprises metals chosen from among the group consisting of Scandium, Yttrium, Lanthanum, Gadolinium, Holmium, Erbium, Thulium, and Ytterbium.

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- 4. An endohedral metallofullerene of the formula: $A_{3-n}X_nN@C_m(-OH)_i(-OSO_3H)_j$; where A and X are metal atoms, n=0-3; m is an even number between about 60 and about 200; 1 < i < m-j; 1 < j < m-i.
- 5. The endohedral metallofullerene of claim 4, wherein, A and/or X are arare earth element and/or a group IIIB element.
 - 6. The endohedral metallofullerene of claim 4, wherein A and/or X are chosen from among the group consisting of Scandium, Yttrium, Lanthanum, Gadolinium, Holmium, Erbium, Thulium, and Ytterbium.
 - 7. A method of hydroxylation and hydrogensulfation of trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene comprising,

reacting a trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene with NaOH and 30 TBAH in toluene;

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contacting the reacted reacting a trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene with water and hydrogen peroxide to produce a hydroxylated trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene; and,

reacting the hydroxylated trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene with fuming sulfuric to hydrogensulfate the hydroxylated trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene.

8. A polyhydroxylated hydrogensulfated trimetallic nitride endohedral metallofullerene made by the method of claim 7.